GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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POLICE REFORM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations given by the various Commissions constituted in the country for reforms in Police have been implemented for lack of funds;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the recommendation given by the Dharma Vira Commission and the Commissions constituted thereafter have been implemented;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reason therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): `Police` being a state subject, recommendations of various Commissions/Committees set up for police reforms have been considered by the States and action taken on some of their recommendations. However, a number of recommendations remain unimplemented due to various reasons.

(c) & (d): The Commission set up under the Chairmanship of Shri Dharam Vira submitted eight reports during the period February 1979 to May 1981 with a number of recommendations, which were to be implemented by both the Central Government and the State Governments. The reports of the Commission were sent to all the State Governments / Union Territory Administration. Among the various recommendations of National Police Commission which the Central Government have implemented pertain to providing more funds for housing to policemen, strengthening of the police communication system, giving assistance for computerisation in the State Police Force, under the Scheme for Modernization of the State Police Forces, establishment of the National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB), organizing management courses at Sardar Vallabhbhai National Police Academy, Hyderabad for the IPS officers, streamlining the setup of Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), Directorate Coordination Police Wireless (DCPW) and Lok Nayak Jai Prakashnarayan National Institute for Criminology and Forensic Sciences (LNJN NICFS), issue of guidelines of arrest of persons etc. Some of the crucial recommendations of National Police Commission which have not been implemented by the State Governments pertain to constitution of State Security Commission, procedure for selection of Director General of Police of the State & fixing their tenure, replacement of the Police Act 1861.

(e): The unimplemented recommendations have been considered by the States and the Union Government from time to time and the Review Committee set up by the Government in 2004 has shortlisted 49 such recommendations for reconsideration of States and Central Government.